

REMARKS

New claims 79-101 are added. With entry of this Amendment, claims 24-101 are pending in this application.

New claims 79-101 have been copied from United States Patent No. 6,653,113 B1 (the "'113 patent"), a copy of which is attached hereto for the Examiner's convenience. The '113 patent issued on November 25, 2003. Accordingly, Applicants have filed claims 79-101 within the one year time period prescribed by 35 U.S.C. § 135(b)(1). Applicants are currently reviewing their specification and the '113 patent for possible interference.

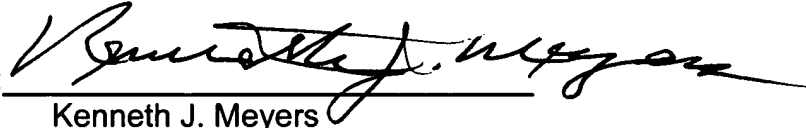
Applicants courteously request entry of this Second Supplemental Preliminary Amendment prior to examination of this application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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